Memorandum of Agreement By and Between Public, Professional & Office-Clerical Employees and Drivers, Teamsters Local 763 Communications Specialists - King County Sheriff's Office and King County

Subject: Automated Time Labor and Scheduling (ATLAS)

Background:

- 1. King County (the County) and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 763 Public, Professional & Office-Clerical Employees and Drivers (the Union) are Parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020. The Parties are currently bargaining a successor agreement.
- **2.** The King County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) has utilized an electronic method called ATLAS to schedule and track overtime hours worked within a calendar year following King County Auditor's reports issued in 2017 and 2019.
- **3.** The Communication Center did not convert to ATLAS with the rest of KCSO and has instead continued to use a manual process of scheduling and tracking overtime hours. KCSO has an operational need to replace the manual process for posting, selecting, and scheduling overtime for Communication Specialists and Dispatchers with ATLAS.
- **4.** In converting the Communication Center to ATLAS, the parties recognize the need to document agreement on the overtime rules that will be used to program and manage the system.
 - **5.** In review of this issue, the parties hereby agree to the following:

Agreement:

1. Voluntary Overtime.

- **A. 16-hour Restriction.** Employees may not volunteer to work more than 16 consecutive hours without authorization from a supervisor.
- **B. Floor Overtime.** Only Floor overtime hours, which are recorded in ATLAS as task codes 108 (call receiving backfill) and 118 (dispatch backfill), will be considered for determining overtime hours worked and/or scheduled in ATLAS. Semesters reset on April 1 and October 1 of each year. If there is a tie for fewest combined overtime hours worked and/or scheduled in a semester, the overtime will be assigned to the employee who first indicated their

desire to volunteer for overtime work in ATLAS. Any other tiebreakers will be based on seniority.

- **C.** Notice of Voluntary Overtime Opportunities. Overtime opportunities will be posted in ATLAS up to 60 calendar days in advance. Voluntary overtime posted with less than 30 calendar days' notice will remain open for at least 5 calendar days to allow employees sufficient time to review shifts. Overtime opportunities which become available with fewer than 5 calendar days' notice will be posted and assigned according to the "Code Red" or Mandatory Overtime process below.
- **D.** Communication Specialist Availability. Employees who wish to be considered for voluntary overtime assignments must indicate availability and interest for posted overtime shifts in ATLAS. Employees may only sign up for themselves.
- **E. Voluntary Overtime Assignment Process.** Supervisors will assign voluntary overtime 30 calendar days in advance, when practical and will notify the employees by email. Employees cannot be bumped from an assigned overtime shift. Employees will be scheduled to work voluntary overtime according to the combined number of overtime hours worked and/or scheduled in a semester beginning with the volunteer who signs up for consecutive overtime shifts and who has the fewest combined overtime hours worked and/or scheduled in ATLAS. Employees may not bump another employee from overtime.
- **F.** Withdrawing from Voluntary Overtime. Once assigned, the employee may decline the overtime shift up to 14 calendar days prior to the shift. If an employee becomes unavailable or ineligible for an overtime assignment, they will request to remove their name from ATLAS as soon as practical. Employees who wish to withdraw from a voluntary overtime shift with less than 14 calendar days' notice must find coverage for the overtime shift, or work the shift.
- **G. Code Red.** In keeping with the current practice, KCSO may seek to find volunteers using the "Code Red" process to fill overtime opportunities that arise with fewer than 14 calendar days' advance notice, prior to scheduling mandatory overtime. The first person who responds to the "Code Red" alert, currently conducted via text message, will be assigned the overtime. Intermittent "On-Call" Communications Specialists may work any "Code Red" shifts.
- **2. Mandatory Overtime.** Management may assign mandatory overtime to employees as follows:
- **A. 12-hour Restriction.** Employees will not be mandated to work more than 12 consecutive hours unless the County has determined that legitimate business needs exist. When legitimate business needs exist, employees will not be mandated to work more than 14 consecutive hours. Legitimate business needs include:

- **1.** All qualified and available employees have been mandated to work 12 consecutive hours, regardless of the number of overtime hours worked in a semester in ATLAS.
- 2. An emergency (shots fired, natural disaster, extreme call volume, etc.) occurs.
- **3.** When there are fewer than five dispatchers on the floor.
- **4.** When the number of call receivers falls below minimum staffing requirements. Minimum staffing levels shall be determined by the County and will be reviewed in a Labor Management Committee meeting prior to the beginning of each semester.
- **B.** Notice of Mandatory Overtime. When there are not sufficient volunteers to fill the overtime, supervisors will make reasonable efforts to notify employees of mandatory overtime shift assignments at least 14 calendar days prior to the shift. Notice will be provided as soon as practical when KCSO has fewer than 14 calendar days' advance notice of the need for overtime. Supervisors will notify employees of mandatory overtime in person and in writing. . A supervisor may notify an employee of mandatory overtime when off duty only when the employee has contacted the supervisor for the purposes of calling out of work per the Communication Center call-in procedures or via the "Code Red" process above.
- **C. Mandatory Overtime Assignment.** Normally, employees will only be assigned mandatory overtime immediately prior to or following their regular shift. Mandatory overtime will be assigned to the available and qualified Communication Specialist with the fewest Floor overtime hours worked in a semester recorded in ATLAS, up to 12 hours per shift, or 16 hours as defined in Section 2.A above. Any tiebreaker will be by inverse order of seniority. Semesters reset on April 1 and October 1 of each year.
- D. Mandatory Overtime Bypass. Employees who are not available to perform mandatory overtime work as scheduled may request to be bypassed for mandatory overtime and shall provide a brief explanation for their request. Exemptions to mandatory overtime assignments will be considered in the event of a hardship to the employee. In cases of exemption for a healthcare appointment (e.g., medical, dental, or vision, etc.), a note from the healthcare provider verifying the employee's visit is required. Verification for other exemptions may be requested. The supervisor will approve or deny the request to be bypassed for mandatory overtime and note the reason for bypass in ATLAS. Requests for mandatory overtime bypass will not be unreasonably denied. The supervisor will assign the mandatory overtime to the next qualified employee with the fewest overtime hours worked in a semester in ATLAS and the bypassed employee will remain next on the list for mandatory overtime. Any tiebreaker will be by inverse order of seniority. Employees on a shift trade are not eligible for mandatory overtime and will be bypassed for that shift.
- **E.** Volunteers in lieu of Mandatory Overtime. Employees, including On-Call employees, may volunteer to work the mandatory overtime assigned to another employee, however the employee who has been scheduled to work mandatory overtime will have the option

to work the overtime or relinquish it to the volunteer. Communication Specialist Supervisors may volunteer to work the mandatory overtime assigned to a Communication Specialist only when there are no Communication Specialist volunteers and when the mandated employee elects to relinquish the overtime. Employees may not bump another employee from overtime.

- **F. Canceled Overtime.** Employees will be notified that overtime is no longer required as soon as practical, prior to the beginning of the shift in which they have been scheduled to work overtime. Mandatory overtime will be canceled first. If more than one employee is mandated to work overtime, KCSO may seek volunteers who wish to relinquish their mandatory overtime beginning with the employee with the highest number of Floor overtime hours worked recorded in ATLAS. If there are no volunteers to relinquish their mandatory overtime, the mandatory overtime assigned to the Communication Specialist with the highest number of overtime hours worked in ATLAS will be canceled. Voluntary overtime will be canceled in the reverse order in which employees volunteered.
- **G.** Any signature received by facsimile or electronic signature will have the same force and effect as does an original signature on this document. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts, which together shall constitute the entire agreement.
- **H.** This Agreement, along with the CBA, constitutes the full and complete agreement on the issue of converting the Communication Center to ATLAS for overtime scheduling and tracking. This Agreement shall become effective on the date of final signature by both parties and will be implemented in ATLAS as soon as is administratively practicable for King County. The Parties agree to discuss incorporating this MOA into the Appendix with the next contract cycle.

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